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## TWENTY-NINE FOUND GUILTY

Touch of Local Interest in San Francisco Courtroom Tragedy, When Two Are Killed.

Local color is given the story of the shooting of the two Hindus in the federal courtroom at San Francisco Tuesday in the fact that the district attorney, John W. Preston, whose name appears in the story, as having just completed his argument, is an old Tennessee boy, a brother of T. R. and C. M. Preston, of the Hamilton National bank.

Mr. Preston is a native of Cannon county and since his elevation to the office of United States district attorney, has won fame in California as one of the most efficient and vigorous prosecutors of crime in the history of California.

He spent some time in Chattanooga not long ago as a visitor to his brothers and he formed many friends, especially in the legal circles in Chattanooga.

The press report of the tragedy says Ram Chandra, Hindu publicist and revolutionist, was shot to death in federal district court by Ram Singh, a former employe and fellow-defendant. While Singh still pressed the trigger of his automatic pistol he, too, was shot and killed by United States Marshal James B. Holohan, who fired across the room over the heads of attorneys.

The United States district attorney, John W. Preston, had finished his closing argument, which Mrs. Preston was present to hear. Just before the shooting, Judge William C. Van Fleet, announcing that he would charge the jury in the afternoon, had left the bench and entered the chambers, and spectators and lawyers rose to leave the room. At one side of the bar sat the defendants, clustered together, and at the opposite side by the jury box Marshal Holohan watched proceedings.

Ram Chandra rose and started across the room. Ram Singh also rose, raised his pistol and began firing. Ram Chandra staggered forward and fell dead before the witness chair with a bullet in his heart and two others in his body. At the same moment Holohan, a man of great stature, had shot once with his arm high over his head so that the bullet should clear nearby counsel. The shot broke Ram Singh's neck.

(Associated Press.)  
San Francisco, April 24.—Twenty-nine persons, Hindus, former German consular officers, business men and others were found guilty early today by a jury in the federal court of conspiracy to violate the neutrality of the United States through plots to foment revolution against British rule in India.

Thirty were on trial and the only verdict of not guilty was returned in the case of John B. Craig, head of the Craig shipbuilding yards, Long Beach, Cal. The German defendants were not entitled to bail, Judge W. C. Van Fleet ruled, and were ordered to remain in custody, which will be passed next Tuesday.

Public interest in the trial was increased by a dramatic incident in the courtroom yesterday when Ram Singh, a Hindu defendant, shot and killed Ram Chandra, a co-defendant. Ram Singh was in turn killed by a bullet from the revolver of United States Marshal James B. Holohan.

**AUDITORIUM MAY BE BUILT NEAR CITY HALL**  
Commissioners Object to Insistence for Fireproof Roof and High Stack.

In all probability the auditorium and soldiers' club room will not be constructed at the corner of Eighth and Chestnut streets. Latest developments seem to point to the lot adjoining the city hall as the advisable location.

This change in plans is the result of a letter from C. E. James, addressed to the city commission and read at Tuesday's meeting, in which he insists that the roof of the new building be of fireproof construction rather than the wooden roof called for in the plans submitted to the auditorium committee. Mr. James also stated that he would have to insist on the smokestack of the auditorium extending above the James building to protect the structure.

Commissioner Herron, chairman of the auditorium committee, explained that a steel roof on the new building was out of the question if the building is to come within the estimated cost, and suggested that plans be drawn with the idea of utilizing the city hall lot. Cost of excavating will be much larger than would have been the case if the James lot had been used, but this increased cost will be offset by the fact that the heating plant of the city hall can furnish heat, thus eliminating the cost of installing a plant.

S. G. Dunham, representative of the war camp community service committee, suggested that the original offer of Mr. James could very likely be construed as a contract and that in this offer no particular class of roof had been specified. Mayor Littleton said that he did not believe the board cared to try to force the matter, and the other members of the commission concurred in this opinion.

Commissioner Bass introduced a resolution authorizing his department to purchase a motor street sweeper. As stated in The News several days ago, this sweeper will cost \$5,000 and will replace the old-fashioned street brushers now in use. Payment will be made entirely from the department's budget, \$1,500 being paid in cash and the remainder to be paid at the beginning of the next fiscal year. The resolution passed two readings.

Attorney R. H. Williams asked the board Tuesday afternoon to "keep an open mind" with regard to franchises sought by the Postal Telegraph company to construct conduits for underground wires on Ninth street. The board agreed to do so, some of the members facetiously remarking that they always "kept an open mind."

**ST. ELMO BAPTIST CHURCH IN GET-TOGETHER BANQUET**

About twenty-five members of the St. Elmo Baptist church enjoyed a banquet in the basement of the church Tuesday night. The banquet was for men and was arranged as a get-together affair preliminary to a series of revival meetings which will begin next Sunday. Rev. O. D. Fleming, pastor, presided and introduced the speakers. He stated that the speakers were not expected to be too serious and that the banquet was more in the nature of a social function than anything

else. Patriotism was a dominant note of the address made last night. Ladies of the church prepared and served the banquet.

**MILLER BROS. CLOSE TO HEAR CORMACK'S ADDRESS**

Sale of Several Thousand Dollars' Worth Liberty Bonds Results From His Efforts.

At an early hour Tuesday evening the Miller Bros. department store was closed, so that the employees and others could hear an address by Sergt. L. Shannon Cormack, the Canadian soldier who is touring this country in the interest of liberty bonds and other drives to assist in winning the war. The meeting resulted in the sale of several thousand dollars' worth of liberty bonds.

**CONTRACTS LET FOR 22 STEEL FREIGHTERS**

Emergency Fleet Corporation Gives Orders to Wilmington and San Francisco Yards.

(Associated Press.)  
Washington, April 24.—Contracts for twenty-two steel freighters of a total of 204,600 tons were let today by the emergency fleet corporation. The ships will be built at San Francisco and Wilmington, N. C. The ships will be of the Ishedwood type. Twelve will be of 9,000 tons each and the others 9,400. The contracts went to the Union Construction company, of San Francisco, and the Carolina Shipbuilding company, of Wilmington.

**Famous German Airman Buried With Honors**

With the British Army in France, April 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—A large number of British fighting men and aviation officers, as well as American stationers at an airfield near Arras, attended the funeral yesterday of Capt. Baron Von Richthofen, who was laid away in the graveyard of a little hamlet near Sailly-Le-Sac, where he was shot down in an aerial combat Sunday. It was an impressive funeral, worthy of the greatest aviator yet produced by the central allies. No finer rite could have been performed had it been the premier allied pilot who lost his life. Instead of this intrepid German whom all honored.

The thoughts of those who stood at the grave, while the army chaplain read the beautiful Church of England service, were expressed in an inscription on one of the floral wreaths: "A valiant and worthy foe."

As the chaplain took his place by the grave a squadron of British airplanes came circling from all directions and throughout the service wheeled over the graveyard at a low altitude, their droning engines furnishing an accompaniment to the words of the clergyman.

Capt. Von Richthofen died fighting in the air, as undoubtedly he would have chosen to do had he known he was fated to fall. It is not yet certain how he met his death, but the main details appear to be fairly well established.

The captain, with his "flying circus" of more than twenty followers, came toward the British lines in Somme about noon Sunday. The Germans were seeking British prey, which they hoped to surround and finish off when the airman had no way of escape. As they neared the fighting front they encountered two British airplanes. Capt. Von Richthofen for some reason separated himself from his followers and started on a furious pursuit of these machines.

Meanwhile a score of other British planes came swirling up and engaged the Germans. The captain kept after

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his man and attempted to outmaneuver him. The British plane which was accompanying the one under attack got above the German. The three machines raced toward the British lines, their machine guns chattering like mad. They kept getting lower until at last when they were some fifty yards back of the British lines they were only a hundred feet in the air. Meanwhile the other German machines were fighting the British squadron more than three miles away. Machine guns and rifles on the ground came into action against Capt. Von Richthofen, who also was being fired at by at least one of his adversaries in the air. Suddenly his machine turned its nose downward and crashed to the earth.

Examinations later showed that the German pilot had a bullet through the heart. It was difficult to say whether the bullet came from the ground or from a British machine. In any event he probably was killed instantly.

**SHUTTING'S WAR MAPS DRAW BIG AUDIENCES**

Rudolph J. Shutting's daily bulletin of war maps which is being posted in front of the American Trust and Banking company on Market street, is attracting wide attention. Each day the retreats and advances are chronicled so that a definite graphic conception is had of just how the lines stand. Today's map shows the railroads and canals of Holland, especially pertinent in view of Germany's alleged demands on that nation.

**MAYOR MILLER HELD PASS TO BARRED ZONES**

Washington, April 24.—Mayor Fred Charles Miller, of Michigan City, Ind., held here for violating the president's

proclamation making the District of Columbia a barred zone to enemy aliens, probably will escape sentence to an internment camp. Although no decision has yet been reported by the department of justice, this was the unofficial belief expressed by several officials. It was pointed out that Miller evidently was sincere in his belief that his pass to enter the barred zone of his own city was good in any barred zone in the country.

**SEND TWENTY MILLION MEN OVER THERE IF NECESSARY**

Washington, April 24.—America will send twenty million soldiers to Europe if necessary to beat Germany, Secretary Daniels declared last night in an address before the United Daughters of the War of 1812. The society met here last night for its annual convention.

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"We will therefore, ask that the mortal remains of these young men be left here, left with us forever. We inscribe on the tombs: 'Here lie the first soldiers of the republic of the United States to fall on the soil of France for liberty and justice.' The passer-by will stop and uncover his head. Travelers and men of heart will go out of their way to come here to pay their respective tributes.

"Private Enright! Private Gresham! Private Hay! In the name of France, I thank you, God receive your souls! Farewell!"

Do you know, Private Enright, that those words are accompanying your name down through history? Do you know, Private Gresham, that they offer no more the thanks of France but of all the world which loves and fights on today for liberty and justice? Do you know, Private Hay, that they have whispered a benediction into the hearts of all your countrymen, ready to do all and give all that your sacrifice may not have been in vain?

Today we raise great funds for further conduct of this war. Humanity must say its prayer and carry on, for fact reflects that hope today abides in false alms.

Great sums are being volunteered. The bonds of liberty become Liberty Bonds. Shall we then, as many as we can? Shall we do less than this when you have done so much?

And shall we think of these application blanks for Liberty Bonds merely as business forms? Indeed, comrades, we shall not—for as we write they shall become a wonderful memorial upon which we see inscribed, "Private Enright, Private Gresham, Private Hay, we salute you!"

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